

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A lighting method, comprising:
  - (a) providing a plurality of lights, each one of said lights for producing a light beam;
  - (b) providing a plurality of movable light supports;
  - (c) mounting each one of said lights on a corresponding one of said supports;
  - (d) defining a path to be traversed by said supports and said lights; and,
  - (e) controllably and programatically moving each one of said supports and said lights along said path at a selectably variable speed, independently of movement of any other one of said supports and said lights along said path, and while energizing said lights to produce said light beams.
2. (Currently Amended) A lighting method as defined in claim 1, wherein said controllably and programatically moving further comprises positioning each one of said supports at a selected location along said path.
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Currently Amended) A lighting method as defined in claim 1, wherein said controllably and programatically moving further comprises moving said supports and said lights along said path in a selectably variable direction.
5. (Currently Amended) A lighting method as defined in claim 1, wherein said controllably and programatically moving further comprises moving selected ones of said supports and said lights along said path.
6. (Currently Amended) A lighting method as defined in claim 1, wherein said controllably and programatically moving further comprises moving selected ones of said supports and said lights along said path in a selectably variable direction.

7. (Currently Amended) A lighting method as defined in any one of claims 1, 2, 4, 5, or 6, further comprising controllably and programatically moving said lights with respect to said supports.
8. (Currently Amended) A lighting method as defined in any one of claims 1, 2, 4, 5, or 6, further comprising controllably and programatically moving said lights with respect to said supports to aim said lights at a selected focal point.
9. (Currently Amended) A lighting method as defined in any one of claims 1, 2, 4, 5, or 6, further comprising controllably and programatically moving said lights with respect to said supports to keep said lights aimed at a moving focal point.
10. (Previously Presented) A lighting method as defined in any one of claims 1, 2, 4, 5, or 6, further comprising selectably varying the color of said light beams.
11. (Currently Amended) A lighting method as defined in any one of claims 1, 2, 4, 5, or 6, further comprising controllably and programatically maintaining a selected distance between adjacent ones of said supports.
12. (Previously Presented) Lighting apparatus, comprising:
  - (a) a plurality of movable light supports;
  - (b) a light beam producing light mounted on each one of said supports;
  - (c) a track traversable by said supports and said lights;
  - (d) a power supply couplable to each one of said lights to energize said respective lights; and,
  - (e) a drive mechanism for driving each one of said supports and said lights along said track, independently of driving of any other one of said supports and said lights along said path.
13. (Original) Lighting apparatus as defined in claim 12, wherein said lights are further mounted on said respective supports for controllable movement of said lights with respect to said respective supports.
14. (Original) Lighting apparatus as defined in claim 12, wherein said drive mechanism further comprises a drive motor on each one of said supports.

15. (Original) Lighting apparatus as defined in claim 14, wherein said drive motors are variable speed motors.
16. (Original) Lighting apparatus as defined in claim 14, wherein said drive motors are variable speed and reversible motors.
17. (Original) Lighting apparatus as defined in claim 12, further comprising a controllable brake mounted on each one of said respective supports.
18. (Original) Lighting apparatus as defined in claim 12, further comprising a controller coupled to said power supply and to said drive mechanism for controllably moving said supports and said lights along said track and for controllably actuating said lights to produce said light beams.
19. (Original) Lighting apparatus as defined in claim 13, further comprising a controller coupled to said drive mechanism and to said respective lights for controllably moving said supports and said lights along said track and for controllably actuating and moving said lights to produce said light beams.